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**WEST SPRINGFIELD MAN ARRAIGNED
FOR PUSHING WOMAN OFF ROOF AT HOUSE PARTY**

BROCKTON – A West Springfield man has been arraigned on charges he shoved a woman off of the roof of a garage while attending a house party, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz announced today.

Alexander J. Marquez (DOB: 04/22/95) of West Springfield, was arraigned in Brockton District Court on one count each of Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon, Assault and Battery and Disorderly Conduct. Marquez, who is a student at Bridgewater State University, pleaded not guilty and was held on \$5,000 cash bail. He is next scheduled to appear in court September 17th.

Bridgewater Police were on patrol Sunday night just after midnight in the area of Burrill Avenue when they observed more than 200 college-aged people congregated in the backyard of #51 Burrill Avenue. Bridgewater officers approached the residents and observed a female party goer dancing on the roof of a detached two-car garage located on the property. The roof was approximately 10-feet high off of the ground. At this time, the female was the only person on the roof and police said the crowd of onlookers at the party, were yelling for her to “jump.” Seconds later, a male that police later identified as Marquez, hoisted himself onto the roof of the garage and began yelling and attempting to incite the crowd. Police watched as Marquez forcefully pushed the upper back of the female with both hands, whip lashing her head and forcing her off the roof, falling into the crowd below. Marquez celebrated the act briefly and cheered before jumping off the garage himself. He was immediately placed under arrest by Bridgewater Police.

Police were not able to locate the victim in the large crowd immediately following the incident but broadcast a message on Twitter asking for anyone with information to come forward and contact them. Within minutes the female victim reached out. She had sustained bruises and scrapes but declined medical treatment.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney James DeGiacomo and was investigated by Bridgewater Police.

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